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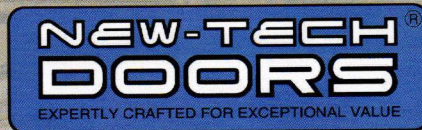
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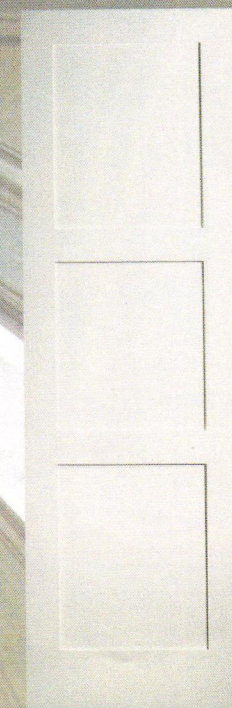


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## AIA LAS VEGAS PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CURT CARLSON, AIA, LEED AP

A couple of months ago I was extolling the virtues of getting out and seeing the world. I'm going to turn 180° for this month and stay home. Last week I had one of those rare occasions where I got to be a tourist in Las Vegas. It's good to sightsee with out-of-towners and hear their perspective on some of the things we take for granted.

This time around my brother and sister-in-law were in town without the kids. Starting with the "off-strip" attractions, I force all my guests to go through the architectural tour of the valley so they can see that we really are "normal." People are naturally amazed at the amount of growth, the extent of growth and unfortunately the sameness of the growth. They were amazed at the quality, technology and design of new school facilities. They were in awe of the design, landscape, streetscape and parks of the masterplanned communities; amenities lacking in most mid-west suburbs. They reveled in the number of Starbucks in all the strip centers; the gas stations and car wash on every corner and the magnitude of the church campuses. They completely understood the lack of turf in yards and by the end of the trip were criticizing the homes we drove past that had turf. So far, they were pretty darned impressed with the living conditions, especially pointing out the lack of state income tax and low property taxes.

I did plan ahead for the entertainment attractions, mainly because there were a few things I wanted to do on the strip. The week and weekend of the second through the eighth was the Three Square Restaurant Week. Basically, that was an incredible opportunity to eat in about 40 of the most exclusive restaurants in town (actually in the country) for a flat \$50.07 for a three-course meal. (The highlight of the restaurants I went to was hands-down - Bradley Ogden.) After dinner was a show-a-night. Believe it or not, there were still two people in the country that had never seen "Phantom" before last Friday. (I saw it for my third time - first time in Las Vegas). The next night was another 180 and we saw "Love." Again, there are still people in the world that have never seen a Cirque show. The next day we were scientific and went to "Bodies." The point of this is - where else in the world can you see the variety and caliber of shows we have here on such a consistent basis? Again - totally awestruck tourists.

Somewhere in between all of this we managed to stumble into the MTV Video Music Awards at the Palms. Admittedly, I was a little out of touch for that one. Walking the red carpet, watching the interviews, the hype, the limos, the antics and the general mayhem in the crowd kept them amused for hours.

By the time they left, they thought I was pretty lucky to be living here and having so many opportunities and options. Unfortunately, they also left thinking that I live like that all the time. So maybe I do need to take advantage of what we have here and really appreciate some of the stuff I take for granted.

## USE YOUR AIA

How often have you seen an architect's name in the newspaper, or heard them interviewed on radio, and noticed that they did not use the "AIA" designation with their name? That "AIA" (and "Associate AIA") designation is a powerful asset for AIA members, and they should insist that it be used with their names anytime they are interviewed, quoted, acknowledged or involved in any public recognition. That "AIA" designation actually speaks volumes about who you are and what you stand for. It announces to the public that you are a licensed professional who upholds the highest standards of ethics and professional practice.

When you are called upon by the media...whether it's an interview, to be quoted on a particular subject or any civic involvement... tell the writer, or announcer or editor that the AIA designation must be included with your name. Don't be afraid to explain to them that the AIA designation is a professional recognition that helps the public to know and understand your professional qualifications as an architect.

Other professionals - doctors, attorneys, contractors - make this request and are very careful to include their professional designations with their names. So, **USE YOUR AIA**. It means you are a member of the American Institute of Architects and that you are dedicated to providing quality design, safeguarding the public and improving the built environment. When you use that AIA after your name, you are not only proclaiming your own professional status and qualifications, you are also supporting and elevating the whole profession.

*The American Institute of Architects was founded in 1857. For the last century and a half the AIA has provided education, government advocacy, community development and public outreach activities, and has endeavored to create an environment that is responsive to the people it serves. As members of the AIA, more than 80,000 licensed architects and associated professionals express their commitment to quality design and livability in our communities throughout the country. The Las Vegas Chapter of the American Institute of Architects - AIA Las Vegas - was established in 1956, and has served the Las Vegas community for over fifty years.*

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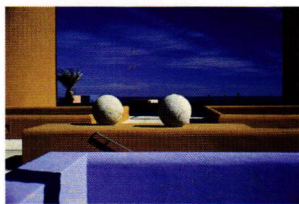
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## AIA LAS VEGAS PRODUCT SHOW OCTOBER 3RD

Better get your passport in order!! You'll need it (and so will your guest) if you win the grand prize at this year's AIA Las Vegas Product Show... a luxurious 5-Day Baja Mexico Cruise for two in an ocean view suite aboard the Carnival Elation cruise ship, November 26-31.

The only way you can win this fabulous cruise is to attend the AIA Las Vegas Product Show on Wednesday, October 3rd and visit all the booths. Drop your business card in the container at each booth, and you'll not only be eligible for the cruise....but you may win one of the many CASH Prizes as well. Each year the Chapter gives away \$3,000 in CASH drawings. But, remember, you must be present to win.

Better yet.... Get your AIA CE Credits by beginning your day on October 3rd with the Green Ideas sessions from 8AM to 3PM - You'll get breakfast, lunch and 4 AIA C.E. and HSW Credits..... what a deal!! (For C.E. class info, please see insert and be sure to RSVP right away to ensure your spot.)

AT 3PM, following your C.E. Classes, walk across the hall to the AIA Las Vegas Product Show and visit with the 68 Exhibitors who are anxious to tell you all about the new sustainable products and services they offer to make your life, your business, your projects and your clients happier and more profitable.

At each booth you will be able to register to win some of the fabulous prizes they are giving away....including \$3,000 in CASH....and a luxury dream cruise to Baja aboard the Carnival Cruise Lines Elation. Visiting the exhibitors and registering at each of the booths is the ONLY way you become eligible to win the prizes.

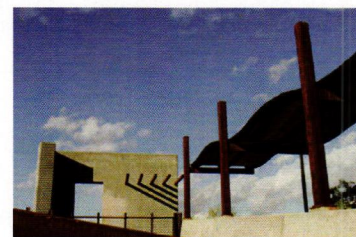
Don't forget to Watch the mail for your "LUCKY" Number.... Bring it with you to the Product Show and if your number matches one of the booth numbers YOU'LL WIN \$1,000.... on the spot!!

The AIA Las Vegas Product Show is sponsored by MODERNFOLD of Nevada. Bring all your friends and associates and have a wonderful time. The Show Opens at 3PM, Wednesday, October 3rd, in the Parthenon Ballroom at the Alexis Park Hotel - 375 East Harmon Street, Las Vegas, NV.

## NOVEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

### SPRINGS PRESERVE AND THE 2030 CHALLENGE

Have you visited the new Las Vegas Springs Preserve? If not, you'll want to join us in November for our special joint meeting with our friends from USGBC and a full tour of the Springs Preserve facilities. Our meeting will follow the Green Build Conference and will provide an opportunity for us to revisit the 2030 Challenge and to evaluate the progress we are making, as well as our AIA150 Blueprint for Nevada. We will continue our discussions on what can be done to move the profession and our community toward a more sustainable future.



The meeting will be held in the upper level meeting room at the Springs Preserve and will begin at 5:30PM on Wednesday, November 14th. The meeting is being sponsored by Thomad Engineering, LLC and Wright Engineers, and DCSI - Dynamic Commissioning Solutions, Inc.

Be sure to make your RSVP to Kelly at [klavigne@aianeveda.org](mailto:klavigne@aianeveda.org) by Monday, November 12th.

## AIA LAS VEGAS COTE THANKS CONSOLIDATED REPROGRAPHICS

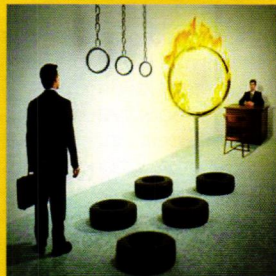
The AIA Las Vegas COTE Committee would like to thank Consolidated Reprographics for donating the printing and mounting of the AIA COTE Top Ten Awards exhibit. For those who have not seen it yet, the exhibit is currently at the Art Institute of Las Vegas and will be moving to the UNLV School of Architecture Library next month.

## CONFIRMATION OF YOUR RSVP

The AIA Las Vegas policy on RSVP's for meetings is as follows: When you make your RSVP for the meeting (by phone or email), you will receive a confirmation from Kelly. If you are bringing a guest, please let us know the guest's name. If you simply show up at the meeting without a confirmation, and you are not on the RSVP list, you will be charged for the meeting and will receive an invoice. Also, if you do RSVP for the meeting and then don't attend, you will be charged for the meeting. Please help us by providing your RSVP as soon as possible after you receive the first newsletter or email notice.



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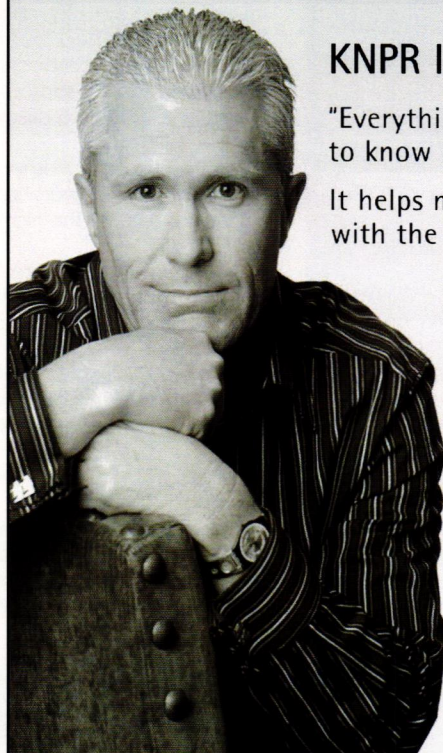
The AIA Las Vegas Career Center is an on-line service that allows design professionals to announce their hiring needs to the local architectural community.

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The mission of the Las Vegas Chapter of the American Institute of Architects is to advance design and the built environment through education, public awareness and by empowering its members.

### CORE VALUES:

*To provide strong leadership and advocacy on behalf of the community and the members.*

*To be active stewards of the environment.*

*To support and promote design excellence.*

*To encourage and advance life-long learning.*

*To adhere to and support ethical behavior.*

*To promote diversity in our membership.*

*To encourage and advocate a spirit of collaboration.*

*To promote community enhancement.*

### GOALS FOR 2007-2010

#### The Voice of Architecture

AIA Las Vegas will serve as the voice of the architecture profession, representing members in advocacy, alliances, leadership and community enhancement.

#### The Credible Resource for Architecture

AIA Las Vegas will facilitate life-long learning and educate the community on the role of design and the built environment.

#### The Value of Membership

AIA Las Vegas will provide relevant benefits and services for its members.

#### Operational Excellence

AIA Las Vegas will be positioned to be a highly effective organization.

## NEW AIA DOCUMENTS – NEW NUMBER DESIGNATIONS

In November, AIA National will launch nearly 50 new and revised documents. The last major release of AIA's flagship documents occurred in 1997, and since that time AIA documents have enjoyed unprecedented usage in the marketplace. They have defined the relationship of the parties involved in construction projects; their provisions have been tested in the legal system and many comments, questions and suggestions have been received from individual users and from AIA partners in the construction industry. However, in the last ten year period the construction industry has evolved and the AIA recognized that the documents also needed to evolve in order to remain current. Therefore, the AIA began a process approximately four years ago to consult and collaborate with more than a dozen industry liaison groups for the purpose of publishing the most comprehensive documents and forms in response to current industry practices.

The public announcement of the availability of the 2007 documents will be made on November 5, 2007. Full Service Distributors have been contacted early and should have their supply of the new documents ready for sale by the November date.

The documents that are involved include 12 A-series documents, including A-201, General Conditions for the Contract for Construction; 22 B-series documents; 5 C-series documents; 1 E-series document; 5 G-forms and 5 commentaries.

Both paper format and electronic documents will be published and released simultaneously. For the first time, paper documents will not expire on the date of release but may continue to be used for a full 18-month transitional period the same as electronic documents.

In addition to the new and updated documents, the numbering system for the documents has been updated. Consequently, all new documents will have new numbers. Most will retain the original number with "2007" replacing the 1997 date, however, some will be completely re-numbered as in the B-series where, for instance, the B-151, 1987 will become the B-104-2007.

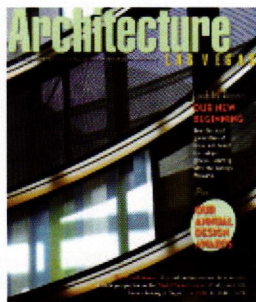
For a complete list of the new and updated documents (with the new numbers) go to the [aia.org](http://aia.org) website or the [aialasvegas.org](http://aialasvegas.org) website and select documents.



### WHAT IS SOLOSO?

Soloso is a new centralized knowledge and content acquisition experience being provided by AIA National for members. The site launched in May of this year and a research tool that, over time, will become a premiere resource for information about architecture and the profession. Soloso will house member content, AIA contributed content, and third party content. All of the content is accessible through three search mediums, the ThinkMap, the scroll tape, and the typical search box method. Soloso was created as a platform for member interaction currently members interface with Soloso by contributing their own content in the form of articles, projects and/or images as well as reviews, profile pages, and feedback. To learn more go to [soloso.org/eknowledge/index.htm](http://soloso.org/eknowledge/index.htm) or [soloso.org/eknowledge/help/index.htm](http://soloso.org/eknowledge/help/index.htm)

## 2008 ARCHITECTURE LAS VEGAS



It's time once again to begin working on our 2008 edition of Architecture Las Vegas magazine. This edition will continue the emphasis on building a livable community, and will further explore the area of sustainability and environmental design.

We are currently accepting ideas and suggestions for articles and content, and certainly, we want to know about all new projects. For story ideas and features please contact Randy Lavigne at 702.895.0936 or [rlavigne@aianeveda.org](mailto:rlavigne@aianeveda.org) and for new projects and advertising rates please contact Debi Raffi at 702.895.0936 or [draffi@aianeveda.org](mailto:draffi@aianeveda.org).

AIA Members receive a 10% discount on all advertising rates and any contracts received before November 1st will be eligible for an additional 5% discount, so be sure to include **Architecture Las Vegas** magazine in your 2008 marketing budget.

## REFER A FRIEND TO AIA LAS VEGAS - THEY CAN GET 15 FOR 12

Do you know of someone in your office or maybe a colleague who should be a member of AIA Las Vegas? Tell them that they can join the AIA Las Vegas Chapter now and get a full 1 year + 3 months of AIA membership at a special reduced rate. If they join in October 2007 they receive full benefits from the day they join until December 31, 2008 and only pay for one year (2008 fees). This is a special invitation for licensed architects, associates and affiliated professionals in the industry who practice in Nevada and Las Vegas. For more information call AIA Las Vegas at 702.895.0936.



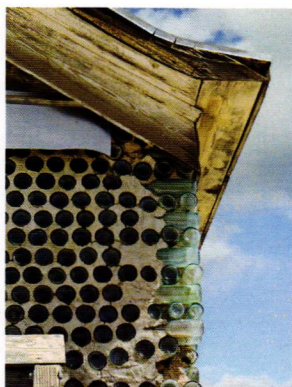
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THE ART OF ARCHITECTURAL PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT ON  
DISPLAY THROUGH THE END OF OCTOBER

AIA Las Vegas would like to thank each of the participants who have contributed to this exhibit.

It is obvious that our members are well traveled and have a great appreciation for architecture throughout the world. We received nearly 60 images from a variety of locations, including Algeria, Turkey, Spain, Italy, Mexico, and Greece.

If you were unable to attend the September Membership Meeting for the unveiling, we encourage you to stop by the campus and see this wonderful exhibit.



**The Bottle House**  
Rhyolite, NV  
by Tom Lisciandra

AIA Las Vegas truly appreciates those members who took the time to submit their photos - they have made our exhibit a huge success!

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## MAYOR GOODMAN ANNOUNCES THE ACCEPTANCE OF UNION PARK INTO THE PILOT PROGRAM FOR LEED FOR NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Las Vegas Mayor Oscar B. Goodman and Steve Rypka, member, board of directors, U.S. Green Building Council - Nevada Chapter, announce today the acceptance of Union Park into the LEED for Neighborhood Development pilot program developed by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC). Union Park is the 61-acre, mixed-use master-planned urban center currently under development on land owned by the city of Las Vegas in the heart of downtown. Union Park is the only project in Las Vegas participating in this national pilot program.

The LEED for Neighborhood Development rating system integrates the principles of smart growth, urbanism, and green building into the first national rating system for neighborhood design. The program is a collaboration between the U.S. Green Building Council, the Congress for the New Urbanism (CNU), and the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC).

"We are pleased to be a part of the LEED for Neighborhood Development pilot program, particularly as Union Park is the only such Las Vegas project announced to date," said Las Vegas Mayor Oscar B. Goodman. "Union Park is a development whose time has come in Las Vegas. It is playing a central role in the revitalization of downtown Las Vegas and by embracing environmentally sound development practices, is forging new ground for 'green' neighborhood development in our valley."

According to Rita Brandin, vice president and development director for Newland Communities, the national real estate development firm retained by the city of Las Vegas to act as development manager for Union Park, the 10-million-square-foot, mixed-use project is creating an in-town culture, entertainment, working and living environment on currently unused railroad lands. "Not only will Union Park embrace environmentally sensitive development practices going forward, it embodies the very essence of land recycling," she said.

The LEED for Neighborhood Development rating system evaluates communities on criteria related to smart location and linkage to the community at large; neighborhood pattern and design; green construction and technology; and water and energy conservation. It is a tool to help planners and developers create communities that not only protect the environment, but also address important public health issues such as physical activity, traffic accidents, respiratory illnesses, and affordable housing. The LEED certification process includes independent, third-party verification that a development's design, construction and performance meet accepted high standards for environmentally responsible, sustainable, development.

The pilot program is expected to conclude in 2008. Based on feedback gathered during the pilot, the rating system will be revised to improve its effectiveness and applicability to the marketplace. The revised rating system will then be balloted according to USGBC's consensus process and undergo approval by CNU and NRDC.

"Communities can play a tremendous role in mitigating global climate change," said Rick Fedrizzi, President, CEO & Founding Chair, U.S. Green Building Council. "Buildings and the infrastructure that surround them are major sources of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gas emissions. The LEED for Neighborhood Development program will enable us to make efficient use of our natural resources and design communities that make an immediate, positive impact on our planet."

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WADE SIMPSON, AIA**

**Just Do It!**

A T-shirt seen at the WMR conference in Lake Tahoe stated: "Design is Thought" Larry J. Macias, AIA

Ed Mazria, the conference keynote speaker, told the attendees ... "There is a silver bullet with regard to global warming and carbon emissions. The silver bullet is 'No new coal fueled energy plants'." Kind of like No New Taxes, "No New Coal"! Architect's number one tool in meeting the 2030 challenge is low tech DESIGN.

Surprise! The key in our ability to meet the challenge is plain old good design. Who would have thunk it? Of course if we don't quite meet the energy goals we still have renewable energy of sun and wind to help us get the rest of the way.

Bruce Race, AIA discussed the principles of regenerative design and the idea of net gain. Thinking outside the lot line and designing to vision are ways to create area wide improvements with each project. The premise of improving our environment by building more and saving less of the 1970's crap of independently designed projects is one we must look at strongly. Incline Village is a great example of poor planning and designing with only the individual in mind. Nothing is connected for easy walking or biking in nature. In such a beautiful place of nature the automobile still rules. Very unfortunate!

As we consider what constitutes design award-winning projects, we must remember that good design is sustainable design. There is a LEED Platinum building in Incline Village. A tour of it reinforced the reinforced this concept. The building would not win any design awards for beauty, although it is a highlight for the sustainable cause. Of course, 100% fresh air is much easier to achieve in Lake Tahoe than in Las Vegas. As architects we must re-learn the need to integrate elegant design with sustainability and energy efficient design.

In recognizing excellence in design, separate sustainable design awards are a thing of the past. At the same time, rewarding a project that is does not include sustainability can no longer be called good design.

In R.K. Stewart's closing presentation at the WMR, there was much discussion regarding the impediments that keep firms from integrating sustainability into every project. It was our own Curt Carlson, AIA who make the final statement ..... "I don't know what all the whining is about.....Just shut up and do it!"

**DREAMSCAPES TO GREENSCAPES  
AN OUTSTANDING EXPERIENCE**

Congratulations to the AIA Northern Nevada Chapter for hosting one of the best regional conferences in the history of the AIA WMR. In addition to providing the perfect venue and weather for the conference, (Grand Hyatt at Incline Village, Lake Tahoe - Temps in the 80's) the list of exceptional keynote speakers included 2030 Challenge Champion Ed Mazria and the AIA National President, R.K. Stewart.

Attendees enjoyed informative and invigorating seminars and programs on sustainability, a well-run expo of green products and services, and an exceptional evening celebrating design and service to the AIA with the WMR Design and Honor Awards Program.

All members of the AIA Northern Nevada Chapter who volunteered their time, energy and knowledge to making the conference a success deserve to be recognized - Larry Macias, AIA President of the AIANN Chapter, Pat Pusich, AIA - President-elect, Max Hershenow, AIA, Mark Johnson, AIA, Dan Kahl, Kevin Jeffers, AIA, Angela Bigotti, AIA, Fred Graham, AIA and the entire group of volunteers did a wonderful job.

In 2008 the WMR Conference will be held in Sante Fe, New Mexico on October 23-25. They certainly have a tough act to follow.

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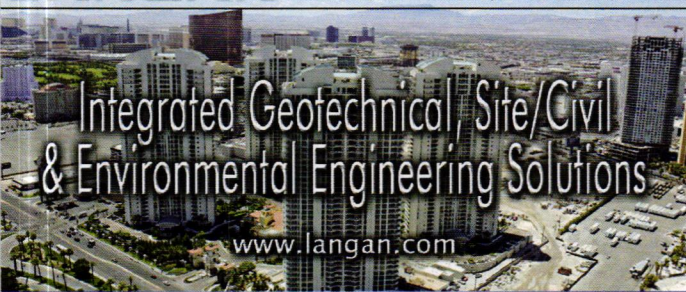
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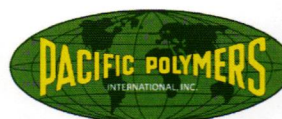
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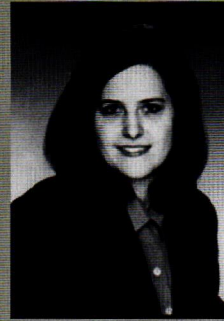


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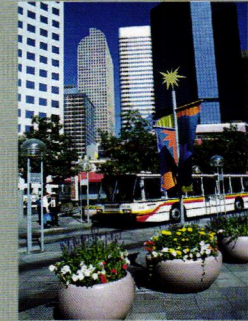
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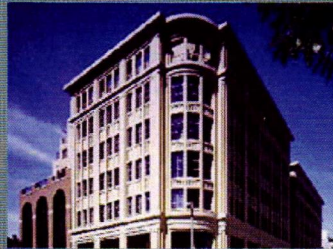
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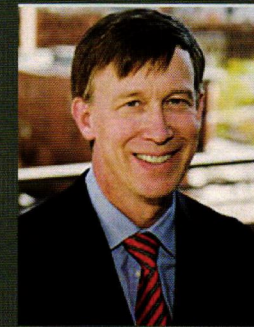
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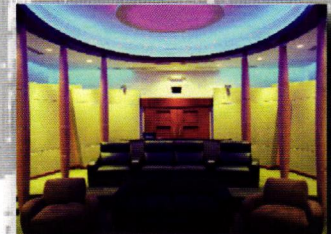


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THREE-DAY EXPO ON SUSTAINABILITY, PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, AND PUBLIC SPACE

The AIA Los Angeles Chapter (AIA/LA), hosts Mobius LA: A Continuum of Architecture, Design, Style, Form, Structure, and Sustainability—a trade exposition and professional development conference. Taking place at West Hollywood's Pacific Design Center, 8687 Melrose Ave., the expo will be held October 24-26, 2007.

Each day of the three-day expo features a different topic, which is linked to thematic programs that give AIA members the opportunity to earn all 8 required continuing education units, including health, safety, and welfare. In addition to the seminars and panels, Mobius LA offers networking events, such as architecturally inspired film screenings, a fashion exhibit pairing students of architecture with fashion design students, book signings, lectures, and receptions.

Wednesday's focus is all about sustainable design, and features: "Design becomes LA," a keynote panel highlighting the innovation, creativity, and edginess that define contemporary Los Angeles, moderated by Frances Anderson of KCRW. Other presentations and discussion topics include the use of alternate materials in architecture, water conservation, LEED standards, urban watersheds, water-saving plumbing solutions, regulatory issues in architecture and land-use, and urban design guidelines.

Professional development is the theme for Thursday, and begins with a panel on "Developing Los Angeles," where 350+ architecture and design firm principals are expected to make up the audience. The panel is intended to serve as a catalyst to trigger dialogue about the direction of the Los Angeles design economy, and includes real estate developers of major Los Angeles projects. The highlight of the day will be this year's AIA/LA Restaurant Design Awards reception, scheduled that evening. In addition, an array of panels and presentations on various topics, such as the integrated approach to business practices, hiring a "celebrity" architect, marketing for sustainable results, architectural public relations, business planning for young architects, and design autonomy in a global practice, are offered throughout the day.

The conference concludes with Public Space LA!—a summit on urban open space issues in Los Angeles. Advocates, architects, scholars, and civic leaders will discuss how the city can create and sustain more improved parks and public spaces, and talk about the successful strategies of other cities. Friday's event is co-sponsored by the California State Parks Foundation, and hopes to create continuity between regional groups to gain a collective understanding of public space issues and how to correct them. During the day's "power lunch," hosted by KFWB News 980 Radio, a dialogue with historian Kevin Starr—author of numerous books on California, including his most recent Coast of Dreams—will take place and will later be available for podcasting.

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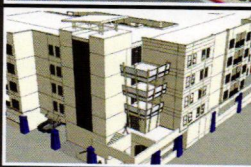
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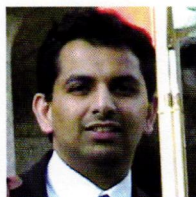
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**DR. RAJAT GUPTA**

INCORPORATING LOW CARBON TECHNOLOGIES IN BUILDINGS: CARBON EMISSIONS' REDUCTION PLANNING.  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2007 AT 7:00 PM.

Dr. Rajat Gupta is a Senior Lecturer and Co-Director of the Architecture Unit of the Oxford Institute for Sustainable Development in Oxford Brookes University, Oxford England. Dr Gupta is registered as an Architect in India and London, and has Masters in Energy Efficient Building and a Doctorate from Oxford Brookes University. He has developed an innovative GIS-based domestic energy carbon-counting and carbon-reduction model (DECoRuM), the working of which has been widely reported in academic journals, leading exhibitions, conferences and newspapers. DECoRuM is now being further developed as a toolkit for carbon emission reduction planning for use by UK local authorities. Dr Gupta has recently been part of the Oxford Solar Initiative, a project to encourage more people to reduce their carbon emissions resulting in 450 energy efficiency measures and 80 new solar hot water systems in Oxford homes; the EC-funded SHADA project to promote sustainable buildings by creating a web-based sustainable design advisory service; and a Government-funded adaptation project assessing adaptation responses to climate change for new developments in growth areas. Dr Gupta has published widely in this area and has co-authored a book, Closing the loop: benchmarks for sustainable buildings (2004), RIBA publications Ltd. He also developed the Climate Change Action Plan for the City of Oxford in 2005 and is currently writing The Carbon Counting Handbook for Buildings and Cities. Dr Gupta has been awarded research grants from the European Commission, Energy Saving Trust, Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors Education Trust, Pilkington Energy Efficiency Trust, British Council and South East Proof of Concept fund. Dr Gupta currently speaks nationally and internationally on the subject of climate change and carbon emission reduction planning in Cities.

**DR. CHRIS LUEBKEMAN**

DRIVERS OF CHANGE: KEY ISSUES THAT WILL PLAY A ROLE IN OUR FUTURE.  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2007 AT 7:00 PM.



Dr. Chris Luebke is Director for Global Foresight + Innovation, Arup Group. Chris Luebke refuses to be categorized. Educated as a geologist, structural engineer and architect, he now specializes as a generalist with a view of being "in league with the future." He was listed as one of the ten future speculators and shapers "who will change the way we live," in Wallpaper Magazine (2002). As an educator, he has taught in the Departments of Architecture at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, the University of Oregon, the Chinese University of Hong Kong and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Since 2003, Chris and his Arup team have conceptualized and facilitated more than 60 workshops worldwide - assessing emerging trends and technologies and how they relate to business. He frequently explores drivers of change - society, technology, environment, economics, politics - and their impact on the industry. Chris is currently working with some of the world's leading companies to develop scenarios to better understand the opportunities change is creating in the built environment.

## SHAPING THE FUTURE OF SOUTHERN NEVADA

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The UNLV Vice President for Research Office is coordinating a one-day conference on Urban Sustainability on Wednesday, October 24, in the UNLV Student Union, beginning at 8:30 a.m. AIA Las Vegas is a co-sponsor of the event.

The conference -- "Shaping the Future of Las Vegas: Economic, Environmental and Social Sustainability" -- is open to the public and will feature welcome remarks from President David Ashley, Executive VP & Provost Neal Smatresk, and Las Vegas Mayor Oscar Goodman, along with keynote speeches by Dr. Robert Lang of Virginia Tech University and Dr. Jonathan Fink of Arizona State University, both of whom are national leaders in the sustainability movement.

We invite you to register for this conference, which will include afternoon panel sessions on the following topics with members of the UNLV community and local and state leaders:

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- Sustainability in Community Development and Architecture in Las Vegas*
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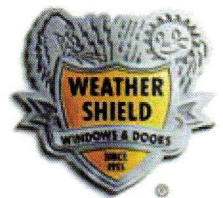


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### KARL BERG, FAIA

Karl Berg has dedicated an exceptional four-decade career to design excellence. He is a strong leader in the Denver community, and an exemplary practitioner and a major spokesperson in professional matters. Karl, who has been recognized with countless professional awards and honors, believes that clear communication and effective management combine to produce excellence in architectural design. A tireless and tenacious problem-solver, he has been a major force in architectural innovation and recognized many times by the American Institute of Architects and other professional organizations for his outstanding contributions to the profession. In 1993 the AIA elevated Karl to its highest distinction—membership in the College of Fellows. The list of his recognitions and awards is extensive and

### KIM FERNANDEZ, AIA, NCARB

Kim holds a master of architecture from the University of Arizona and is a principal with Albanese-Brooks Associates PC in Tucson, AZ. She has an extensive background in education, professional involvement through the AIA Southern Arizona Chapter and community service as a member of the Arizona Humanities Council, The Advisory Board for Extended University at the University of Arizona, the Greater Tucson Leadership Board, and numerous other community service organizations. As principal with ABA Architects she has guided planning and design of numerous award-winning projects.

### BRUCE HAWTIN, FAIA

Bruce Hawtin is a graduate of the Oklahoma School of Architecture and principal of Hawtin Jorgensen Architects, PC in Jackson, WY. Following school, Bruce worked in Denmark and in the District of Columbia area, then moved to Jackson, Wyoming in 1969. He opened his own office in 1971 and has maintained a high level of involvement with the wide range of projects produced by this office. Bruce was recently made a Fellow in the American Institute of Architects. He just completed twelve years as a member of the State Board of Architects and Landscape Architects of which he was President five years and is the immediate past president of the Wyoming Chapter of the American Institute of Architects.

## EMPHASIS ON SUSTAINABILITY

### AIA NEVADA EXCELLENCE IN DESIGN AWARDS

Good architecture is sustainable architecture. It has always been so. But, it seems that until recently the importance of sustainable elements in design were ignored or overlooked. That is why this year the 2007 AIA Nevada Excellence In Design Awards Program has renewed the emphasis on sustainability, and requires a "Sustainable Description Form" as a part of the submittal for the juror's review.

This year's jurors will include distinguished architects from the Western half of the United States, who are advocates of sustainable design and practice. Henry Siegel, AIA, Siegel and Strain Architects, Emeryville, CA; Phil Weddle, AIA, Weddle Gilmore Architects, Tempe, AZ and Steve Kanner, FAIA, Kanner Architecture, Los Angeles, CA.

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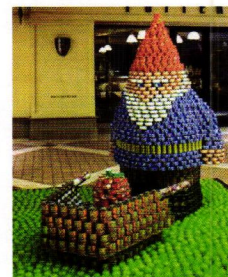
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We request that all donations be received prior to Friday, October 19th. Please contact either Randy Lavigne at 702.895.0936 or Janelle Wright at 702.435.1150 for further information regarding your donation.

### CITY OF HENDERSON TO PARTNER IN CANSTRUCTION

SDA has partnered with the City of Henderson to host the 2007 CANstruction.

Henderson's annual "Winterfest" takes place downtown on December 7, 8, and 9th, complete with a parade, tree lighting ceremony, ice skating rink, art vendors, entertainment and "snow play". The City of Henderson has invited SDA to display their structures as "public art". It is an wonderful opportunity to increase public awareness of CANstruction and infuse new energy into the event. The City of Henderson will provide great media exposure and they have the resources to take CANstruction to the next level.



The structures will be erected outdoors in the Plaza and there will be 24-hour security and canopies should the weather turn gloomy. There will also be more flexibility on the timing of the "build" and participants will be allowed to schedule it anytime on Thursday, the 6th. Hopefully this gives everyone a little more time to fine-tune their designs. Please confirm your participation by emailing **MAGGIE ALLRED** at mallred@mercury-ldo.com.

AIA Las Vegas is a sponsor of this event and encourages members and firms to organize teams and participate in this great community event.

### SHERWIN WILLIAMS PRESENTS COLORMIX '08

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When: Wed. October 24, 2007 5:30-7:30

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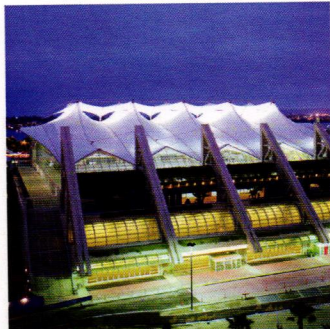
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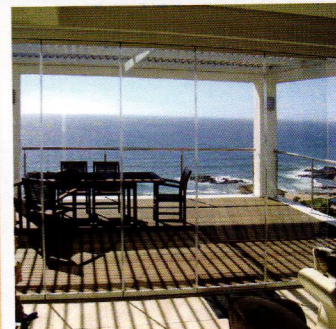
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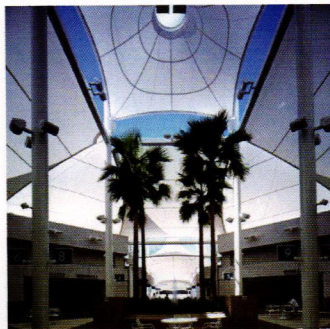
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- 27 AIA Nevada Excellence in Design and Distinguished Service Awards – Red Rock Resort

## November

- 8 AIA LV Continuing Education Luncheon – "Architectural Changes in the Law" will be presented by Snell & Wilmer at their offices
- 13 AIA LV Board Meeting
- 14 AIA Membership Meeting – "Meeting the 2030 Challenge" – Las Vegas Springs Preserve
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- 29 AIA LV Continuing Education Luncheon – Hosted by Schirmer Engineering – Location TBA

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- 6 AIA LV Continuing Education Luncheon – Hosted by DuPont / Tyvek – Location TBA
  - 11 AIA LV Board Meeting
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